

Table 9. Average length of stay for discharges from short-stay hospitals by age and first-listed diagnosis: United States, 1998[Discharges of inpatients from non-Federal hospitals. Excludes newborn infants. Diagnostic groupings and code numbers are based on the *International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM)*]

Category of first-listed diagnosis and ICD-9-CM code	All ages	Under 15 years	15-44 years	45-64 years	65 years and over
	Average length of stay in days				
All conditions	5.1	4.6	3.7	5.1	6.2
Infectious and parasitic diseases 001-139	6.3	3.8	6.4	7.3	7.1
Septicemia 038	7.6	4.4	9.3	7.8	7.6
Neoplasms 140-239	6.4	7.0	4.5	5.6	7.6
Malignant neoplasms 140-208,230-234	7.2	8.8	6.3	6.5	7.7
Malignant neoplasm of large intestine and rectum 153-154,197.5	8.8	*	*9.0	7.4	9.2
Malignant neoplasm of trachea, bronchus, and lung 162,176.4,197.0,197.3	8.0	*	7.7	7.9	8.2
Malignant neoplasm of breast 174-175,198.81	2.7	*	3.1	2.8	2.6
Benign neoplasms 210-229	3.5	2.3	3.1	3.3	5.9
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases, and immunity disorders 240-279	4.8	3.3	4.6	4.6	5.3
Diabetes mellitus 250	5.2	2.9	4.2	5.6	5.7
Volume depletion 276.5	4.3	2.9	3.5	4.3	5.1
Diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs 280-289	4.6	3.8	5.0	4.7	4.4
Mental disorders 290-319	7.6	11.6	6.8	7.3	9.9
Psychoses 290-299	8.7	11.5	7.8	8.8	10.7
Alcohol dependence syndrome 303	5.7	*	5.6	5.9	6.6
Diseases of the nervous system and sense organs 320-389	5.2	3.8	4.4	4.8	6.6
Diseases of the circulatory system 390-459	5.2	6.9	4.3	4.8	5.4
Heart disease 391-392.0,393-398,402,404,410-416,420-429	4.9	5.5	3.8	4.6	5.2
Acute myocardial infarction 410	5.9	*	4.5	5.2	6.3
Coronary atherosclerosis 414.0	4.1	*	3.0	3.6	4.5
Other ischemic heart disease 411-413,414.1-414.9	3.2	*	2.2	3.4	3.1
Cardiac dysrhythmias 427	4.0	2.6	2.9	3.6	4.2
Congestive heart failure 428.0	5.9	*3.8	5.1	6.4	5.8
Cerebrovascular disease 430-438	5.9	*5.6	6.4	6.0	5.9
Diseases of the respiratory system 460-519	5.6	3.3	4.5	5.7	6.8
Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis 466	3.7	3.2	3.1	3.9	5.1
Pneumonia 480-486	6.0	3.5	4.8	6.2	6.9
Chronic bronchitis 491	5.8	*	6.2	5.7	5.9
Asthma 493	3.3	2.3	3.2	3.8	5.4
Diseases of the digestive system 520-579	4.8	3.6	3.8	4.8	5.7
Appendicitis 540-543	3.5	3.8	2.9	4.3	6.6
Noninfectious enteritis and colitis 555-558	4.3	2.5	3.9	4.3	5.8
Diverticula of intestine 562	5.4	*	*	5.4	5.1
Cholelithiasis 574	3.7	*	2.8	3.2	4.8
Diseases of the genitourinary system 580-629	3.8	3.7	2.8	3.5	4.9
Calculus of kidney and ureter 592	2.2	*	1.9	2.1	3.3
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium ¹ 630-677	2.5	*	2.5	*	...
Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue 680-709	5.7	4.8	4.8	5.4	6.8
Cellulitis and abscess 681-682	4.9	2.9	4.0	4.9	6.1
Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue 710-739	4.3	5.2	3.1	4.0	5.0
Osteoarthritis and allied disorders 715	4.5	*	3.4	4.1	4.7
Intervertebral disc disorders 722	2.9	*	2.5	2.6	4.6
Congenital anomalies 740-759	4.9	5.2	3.6	5.0	5.6
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period 760-779	9.2	9.2	*	*	*
Symptoms, signs, and ill-defined conditions 780-799	2.7	2.1	2.1	2.1	4.9
Injury and poisoning 800-999	5.4	4.4	4.3	5.4	6.4
Fractures, all sites ² 800-829	5.8	3.5	4.8	5.4	6.6
Fracture of neck of femur ² 820	6.8	*	5.7	6.1	7.0
Poisonings 960-989	3.0	1.8	2.5	*	4.0
Supplementary classifications V01-V82	3.8	5.7	2.6	8.2	11.6
Females with deliveries V27	2.5	2.2	2.5	*3.0	...

* Figure does not meet standard of reliability or precision.

... Category not applicable.

¹First-listed diagnosis for females with deliveries is coded V27, shown under "Supplementary classifications."²Excludes fractures coded as 733.1, pathologic fracture.